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Amendment And Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed October 14, 2008, ("the Office Action"), Applicants provide the following Amendment and Remarks.

An Amendment to the Claims is reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper. Applicants' Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.

A Request For Continued Examination Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is being filed herewith.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned for under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.